

Elmira Organist Stricken While Directing Rehearsal

Elmira lost a talented musician in the unexpected death Sunday of Mrs. Irene Cherry Lutz, organist and choir director of SS. Peter and Paul Church. Mrs. Lutz was stricken while directing the church choir in rehearsal after the 11 o'clock Mass. She was removed across the street to St. Joseph's Hospital where she died at 4:30 P. M.

Mrs. Lutz was a former organist at St. John the Baptist Church and at St. Patrick's Church for many years. For the past 15 years she has held a similar position at SS. Peter and Paul. She was prominent in music circles throughout the city and was a member of the Tuesday Morning Musicales and the P. M. Music Club. She taught piano for many years.

Mrs. Lutz was a lifelong resident of Elmira. She was the widow of Peter J. Lutz, who conducted a drug business at Lake and E. Clinton Sts., and the daughter of the late Patrick Cherry.

She is survived by a brother, Clarence of Detroit, and two nephews in Rochester.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lutz were to be held today, Thursday, March 26 in SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery. Burial was to be in SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

41 Receive K. of C. Degree

The second degree of the Knights of Columbus was exemplified by Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus, on two classes of candidates, the first on Sunday afternoon and the second Monday night, in the Council Chambers.

Forty-one candidates comprised the Sunday class and 24 received the honors of the degree in Monday's class.

The Rev. Raymond G. Helsel, Council Chaplain, and the Rev. Bernard C. Hanna, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, addressed the new members.

Canadian Catholics Ask New Wage Policy

OTTAWA.—A special delegation from the Canadian Confederation of Catholic Workers has submitted to Minister of Labor Mitchell a memorial bearing on wage policy and indemnities in relation to the high cost of living caused by the war.

The memorial did not attempt to discuss the general policy of the Government, but simply made suggestions and cited certain facts. A weekly wage of less than \$25 is not a reasonable family wage, it was pointed out, and the Confederation requested adjustments in the case of adults receiving less than that amount.

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By Capt. William A. Maguire
Fleet Chaplain, Pacific Fleet

The following article by Chaplain William A. Maguire, U. S. N., appeared in the Catholic Herald, of Honolulu. Father Maguire is a lay member of St. Patrick's School, Elmira.

Lessons taught us in our youth often impress us more deeply than lessons learned at college. I recall a day when I was a little boy in Elmira, N. Y. One Sunday afternoon my father had persuaded me to take a short stroll with him. I was too small that year to go for hikes in the country. But I enjoyed these brief excursions with Father and I hoped I might grow tall enough some day to rate carrying a walking stick and make a real job of it.

One Sunday afternoon the route that Father chose was Clinton St. and we made the homeward bound turn a block beyond St. Patrick's Church. Whether this was in Father's plan, I never learned, but I shall always remember that he stopped me in front of the church and said, "Son, whenever you pass a Catholic Church—tip your hat."

EXPLAINS REASON

Then he explained in words I understood the reason for this gesture of respect. He had already seen me tip my hat when friends of his passed on the sidewalks. He noted that I also knew what to do. But he discovered that I failed to tip my hat when we arrived in front of St. Patrick's, for he stopped me and read a brief but serious lecture. He said, "Son, come with me." Then he led the way through the wide entrance of the church, stopped at the Holy Water font, watched me as I made the Sign of the Cross, and inspected my every move until we were at last kneeling in the family pew.

Our visit before the Blessed Sacrament that day was not long but it was certainly impressive. I felt that Father was keenly serious about it. He may have anticipated that this was a lesson I would never forget. As we left the pew, Father watched how I genuflected. He made me repeat and improve my own version, for I had been too quick and perfunctory. On the third attempt I managed to satisfy him by slowly touching the floor with my knee, rising with dignity, turning and walking down the aisle as though I were not hurrying to a fire.

On the way home, Father continued to explain why I should tip my hat. He referred to the respect we pay the National Colors. We had witnessed the Fourth of July parade, and I recalled (with his help) how we all stood up when the flag passed, and that we had doffed our hats and held them to our breasts.

JOB WELL DONE

"When you pass a Catholic Church and tip your hat you show that you believe Our Blessed Lord is present in the tabernacle of the Altar and that you desire to pay Him respect. Whether you are walking or riding on a street car never fail to show Our Lord this mark of respect and love." Father

had done the job well. From that day, tipping my hat while passing a church became just as natural as it did years later to stop my car when faced with a red light on a crossing.

Years later when I became a man I walked in the streets of New York and Chicago and San Francisco and I saw other men tip their hats when passing before our temples of worship. I always felt that these people were my friends because they were manifesting their friendship for my Divine Friend in the Sacrament of His Love. Have you ever noticed a friendly smile come over the face of a fellow Catholic when you and he, walking in opposite directions, tip your hats while passing a church? I have, many times, long before I became a priest and wore the Roman collar. It gave me a feeling that we were in a special way, kinsmen; that we believed the same truths and that we were in total agreement on things of life that really mattered.

When I hear of people visiting the tomb of General Grant or Napoleon, I sometimes wonder why we so often pass our own temples of worship without paying a brief but loving tribute to our Divine Master either by entering or praying a while or at least, in passing, by tipping our hats.

Wins Phi Beta Kappa Key At Elmira College

A high honor was attained by Miss Ellen Moxley, a member of St. Patrick's Parish by her election as one of six Seniors to the Elmira College Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

Miss Moxley's scholastic record has been outstanding throughout her college career. She was graduated from St. Patrick's Parochial School in 1924 and from Elmira Catholic High School in the Class of 1933 in which she was one of the ranking honor students.

Requirements for Phi Beta Kappa memberships are that a student rank in the upper quarter of her class and that at least three quarters of her work shall be in courses definitely liberal in character, courses designed principally for a knowledge or understanding or appreciation of the natural and social world in which we live as contrasted with training intended principally to develop skill and vocational techniques. Consideration is given to breadth of interests and promise of intellectual growth and effectiveness as well as scholarly achievements.

Miss Moxley has been prominent in dramatics during her college course and has written plays in French and English which have been produced by the College Thespian Society.

She is the daughter of Richard J. Moxley of 316 West First St.

Urges National Unity At NCCS Club Dedication

MT. CLEMENS, Mich. — "The men in uniform will not fail America unless those at home fail them first."

This stirring challenge for an alert America was the theme of an address made here today by the Most Rev. Edward Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit, in dedicating the new USO club here which will be operated by the National Catholic Community Service.

High-ranking churchmen, Army officers, civic leaders and men of the armed forces were among the 450 who attended the ceremonies.

Archbishop Mooney, President of the Board of Trustees of the NCCS, emphasized the vital necessity for maintaining high civilian morale as well as that of the armed forces and stressed the need for national unity.

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